

HUNGER HORROR WAITS SNOW CUE IN THE CAUCASUS

VICKREY, NEAR EAST RELIEF'S
NATIONAL SECRETARY, TELLS
OF FAMINE-SETTING WHEN
AUGUST CURTAIN ROSE.

20,000 CHILDREN MUST DIE THIS WINTER, WITHOUT AID

"One of the most appalling horrors of history, the death by starvation of tens of thousands of children, and even larger numbers of adults, will be enacted in the Near East this winter unless food is sent them by America before snow flies."

The statement was made by Charles V. Vickrey, national secretary of Near East Relief, who has just returned to New York from a three-months trip of personal inspection in the old Russian provinces of Transcaucasia and bordering lands of Asia Minor.

Into these war-hedged regions fled as refugees those remnants of the Armenian and neighbor races who had escaped massacre or capture by Turks and Kurds or death by hunger, exposure and attendant disease.

Mr. Vickrey said, in part: "There are two distinct large areas involved in the Russian famine problem: the Volga region, reaching northward from the Caspian Sea; and southern Russia or Transcaucasia, embracing the new republics of Georgia and Russian Armenia, to the westward of the Caspian and extending to the Black Sea.

1921 Death Harvest Early.

"It has been my lot to travel in southern Russia each August of the last three years. In those years the wholesale death harvest did not develop until late winter or early spring. Never before have I seen actual widespread starvation in the month of August. This year in Russian Armenia I found the dead lying in the streets; saw the death-wagons go upon their twice-daily rounds; learned at first-hand of the other corpses—infants, children, adults—by the waysides beyond the cities, the buried and the unburied. This in the month of August instead of in January, February and March.

"In the once busy and comparatively well-stocked market places of Erivan, capital of the war-born republic of Armenia, I encountered only women, children and very aged men, wandering, wandering from street to street, dumbly trying to exchange a frayed garment or other fragment of personal belonging for a portion of food to ease their hunger.

Worse Than At Armistice.

"The causes of the yearly famine date back to and include the huge massacres of 1915, following upon the opening of the World War, when hundreds of thousands of Armenians fled the Turkish-Kurd raiders and sought a refuge in the Russian Caucasus. Every year since that time the country has been overrun and pillaged by contending or unfriendly military forces. War has not ceased for Armenia. Conditions appear worse today, in the closing months of 1921, than they were at the signing of the armistice.

"Upon withdrawal of the Turkish forces from Alexandropol last April (carrying away with them all transportable food supplies and every property that might be useful to the Turkish army fighting the Greeks on the Western front), the Armenians did everything they could to plant and secure a crop, for they are 85 per cent a farmer people. But the task was impossible, the result inevitable.

20,000 Fed; 20,000 "Must Die."

"In the vicinity of Alexandropol alone, Near East Relief with the aid of more than 50 American experienced rescue workers is caring for 20,000 orphaned children, constituting probably the largest assemblage of parentless infants and youth the world ever has known. The president of the local government of the Alexandropol district states there are 20,000 other children in his district who will die of hunger and exposure this winter if they are not added to our orphanage population. The whole number of orphans in Near East Relief territory exceeds 100,000.

"These are the reasons why Near East Relief is calling upon the people of the United States for 5,000,000 bushels of corn and wheat to be delivered into the famine regions before the tragedy of early snow descends to choke the roads and block transport into the interior."

Michigan's quota in the national grain-grift is 100,000 bushels, now being subscribed.

BACKED BY LEGION CHAPLAIN

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Dr. John W. Inzer, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chattanooga and National Chaplain of the American Legion, in a public statement re-endorsing Near East Relief and its work and its appeal for grain to prevent wholesale deaths by starvation in Armenia and surrounding regions, says: "I pray that the people will realize the urgency of this tremendous appeal, and that America in all of its bounty will keep on contributing to these our Christian brethren across the sea who are in such dire straits and pitiless poverty."

ITHACA

Mrs. Jefferson Kinsel died at their home on St. Johns street Friday morning following a long period of ill health. Before her marriage she was Miss Lucretia Beechler, daughter of Rev. J. L. Beechler, who was the first supervisor of Newark township. She was born in Newark and lived there until recent years when they left the farm and came to Ithaca to reside. Surviving are the husband and a daughter, Mrs. Lottie Hook, of Newark and also four grandchildren. The funeral was held Sunday at the residence.

A meeting of the southwest division of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church was held Wednesday at the home of the president, Mrs. E. R. Laycock.

Mrs. William Roberts, Mrs. Lottie Fullerton, Mrs. Mina Hildebrandt, and Miss Faye Chapin spent last week in Detroit where they attended a missionary convention.

A New England supper under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society was held Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Dean. A program was given and a silver offering taken.

The Crescent Home Club met Friday with Mrs. Charles Rogers, Sr. Officers were elected at this meeting.

Mrs. Sarah Curtis, an old resident of Ithaca and vicinity died at the home of her son, William Gabriel, of East Palatka, Florida, where she has resided a little more than five years. The funeral was held Saturday at the Ithaca Methodist church. Interment was made in Hamilton township. She is the widow of Daniel Curtis, deceased, and is survived by two sons and two daughters, one of whom is Mrs. Herbert Goodwin of Ithaca.

Mrs. Charles Maxted and two children of Wyandotte are spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Charles Kernen.

Miss Hanna Ackerman, Mrs. F. M. Harrington and Rev. L. L. Dewey attended the past week a Red Cross convention held at Columbus.

The Ladies Community Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Harley Rasor.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crooks of Detroit are spending a few days with Ithaca friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Fidler and Ransom Marr returned home Friday after spending a couple of weeks at Houghton.

Ray Smith of Lansing spent the week end with North Star and Ithaca relatives.

Mrs. C. W. Hamilton and children Bobbie and Irene, went to Grand Rapids the last of the week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Stroup.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McCall, Mrs. E. D. Hamilton and Mrs. Robert Russell were in Saginaw Wednesday to attend the Grand Chapter of the O. E. S.

Mrs. Roy Cowdrey and Miss Nellie Nelson were in St. Louis the first of the week guests of Mrs. T. G. Depeel.

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Spokes Around The Hub

Change Time—Both Mt. Pleasant and Ithaca turned their clocks back at midnight Saturday to central standard time.

Goes to Jail—Ruben Yager of Coleman has been sent to jail until he pays \$100 and \$10 a week to Mrs. Yager, the former being behind \$650 for property settlement and alimony, allowed Mrs. Yager when she secured a divorce a year ago.

Given Thirty Days—Mrs. Elsie Ballard of Midland was sentenced to jail for thirty days for stealing furniture and rugs from a Midland home.

Big Barn Burned—Fire of unknown origin destroyed a large barn on the farm of John McCollum, about five miles north of Breckenridge, causing loss estimated at \$15,000. Insurance for \$6,000 was carried.

Hog Cholera—One of the most serious outbreaks of hog cholera in about two years is facing farmers in the vicinity of St. Johns.

Dewey Gets Office—George M. Dewey has been appointed postmaster at Owosso, succeeding H. Kirk White.

Miller is New Cashier—Lynn T. Miller of the Central State Savings bank of Shepherd has been chosen by the directors of the Ithaca Savings bank to succeed the late C. A. Price as cashier of that institution. Mr. Miller formerly lived in Ithaca.

Money Burns With Barn—Mrs. Lillian Hunt of North Fancher, Mt. Pleasant, discovered D. Lafromboise's barn on fire at night and gave the alarm, but when neighbors arrived it was a mass of flames and a new buggy outside the building burned because no one could get it away. The fire department responded, but could do nothing to save the building. The barn contained three horses, 400 bushels of corn, 200 bushels of wheat, 100 bushels of rye, 200 bushels of oats, many tons of hay, eight sets of harness, and \$1200 in cash which Mr. Lafromboise had in the barn. A car owned by Ed. Bailey also burned, but was insured. Mr. Lafromboise estimates his loss at \$8,000 with no insurance. The fire is thought to be incendiary.

Buy Bank Building—A deal has been closed whereby J. E. Doherty becomes the owner of the Clare County Bank property at the corner of McEwan and Fifth streets, Clare.

Large Ice House—A. Dale, Clare's city milkman, this week has commenced the erection of an ice house near the mill pond that will have a capacity of 1500 tons of ice which he expects to fill and deliver to his patrons next summer and also supply his own wants in connection with his milk business.

To Start Duck Farm—W. V. Hess, formerly of St. Louis, who has had charge of the duck farm for Swift & Co. here for the past five years, raising 28,000 ducks each year will embark in business for himself in St. Louis. He'll be ready this winter and will erect a first class plant, sufficient to raise 7,000 White Pekin ducks next spring. Mr. Hess will winter over three hundred white loghorn pullets, and have a breeding colony, early in the spring.

Auto Goes Into Ditch—While driving his car east of the James hill north of Clare, Dr. James Stirling of that city, accompanied by his two children, Neil and Mildred, and Irvin Miser, met with an accident from which all escaped with hardly a bruise, when the auto went into a seven foot ditch and turned turtle.

SUMMER

Alton Stephens of Alma was here on business Monday.

C. L. Booth of Alma was in Sumner on business Monday.

T. H. McGurn returned home from Detroit Tuesday.

Mrs. R. M. Forquer and granddaughter, Miss Opal, were in Alma shopping Tuesday.

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Herbert Barber of Fenwick visited with friends here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Seaman were in St. Louis the first of the week, visiting at the home of Mrs. Seaman's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Price were in Carson City on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Barber of Fenwick came Tuesday to care for her daughter, Mrs. Byron Sommers, who later was taken to an Alma hospital for treatment.

Miss Laura Seaman is attending school in St. Louis.

A. Smith was in Alma on business Thursday.

R. M. Forquer returned Thursday from a business trip to Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black were in Ithaca on business Friday.

Mrs. Carl Rosencrans and children of Peteskey are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Woodard.

Mr. Furman of Indianapolis is here on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wood returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Owosso and Alma.

Albert Conner was in Mt. Pleasant on business Friday.

William Seaman and wife entertained relatives from South Haven last week.

A. J. Mulford and daughter, Ann Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Clark of Maple Rapids were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mulford.

Miss Mildred Cleverdon and Miss Iva Conner were home from Mt. Pleasant Normal over the week end.

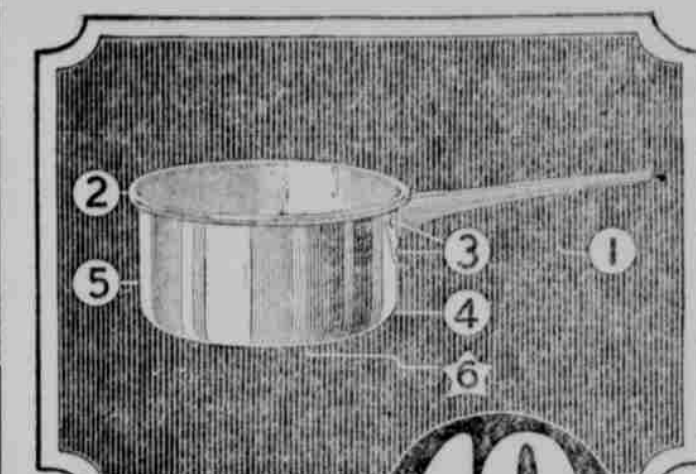
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Evey of Ithaca spent Sunday here with relatives.

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